

March 8, 2023

Joint Committee on Ways & Means General Government Subcommittee Oregon State Legislature 900 Court St. NE Salem, Oregon 97301

Co-Chairs Patterson and Smith and Members of the Committee,

On behalf of the Sherman County Fair Board, I am writing to provide the Committee with an update regarding Sherman County's expenditure of funds provided under HB 5202 from the 2022 Legislative Session.

Sherman County Fair has started to build a new indoor arena to allow our fairgrounds to modernize and serve the community better for the next 100 years. Currently, the project is 2/3rds finished with a completion date this summer in time to be utilized for the 2023 Sherman County Fair in August.

The monies have been/are being used as follows:

- Assisted in the completing the first multi-purpose public indoor arena in the area
- Assisted with the purchase of appliances for the concession kitchen
- Purchasing livestock show pens
- Purchasing an arena kit to make possible to host a variety of horse/livestock events
- Replacing our dated equipment to maintain our arenas

Sherman County and its Fair Board are very grateful for the Oregon Legislature's continued investment in county fairgrounds. Sherman County looks forward to the positive impact these dollars and this building will bring to our area and is so grateful for this opportunity to help make this dream come to fruition.

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Joe Dabulskis Sherman County Judge